

MARTIS FIRE UPDATE HUMBOLDT-TO!YABE NATIONAL FOREST TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST NEVADA-YUBA- PLACER UNIT



Sunday, June 24, 2001 8:00 a.m.

Fire Information: (775) 787-0041

On the Internet: www.fs.fed.us/htmf/incidents/martis

www.fire.ca.gov

Firefighters were able to successfully hold the fire lines on the Martis Fire yesterday, in spite of winds that blew steadily at 20-25 mph and gusted to over 30 miles per hour on the ridges. Air attack bombarded the eastern edge of the fire with retardant and water drops, and crews were able to construct direct line on the fire's eastern front. Containment on the fire is now 60% and 100% containment is expected at 6:00 p.m. on June 30. The acreage burned remains at 14,000 acres.

The wind is forecast to continue at levels comparable to yesterday, but will be decreasing in intensity by this evening. The red flag warning is not in effect due to the slight increase in humidity. The possibility of extreme fire behavior still exists, and crews are taking all possible precautions.

A total of 2263 people are assigned to the fire today, including 73 crews, 112 engines, 16 dozers, 20 water tenders, 16 helicopters and 7 tankers. The cost to date is \$9,808,498.

Agencies with resources committed to this fire including the California Department of Forestry, USDA Forest Service, Nevada Department of Forestry, Bureau of Land Management. Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service, California Department of Corrections, California Conservation Corps, California Office of Emergency Services, and numerous local and county fire departments.

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